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SUBJ: DRAFT CONVENTION ON TERRITORIAL ASYLUM

1. VENEZUELA HAS PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF DRAFT CONVENTION BY ADDITION OF FOLLOWING ARTICLE: QUOTE ARTICLE -- NON-EXTRADITION -- NO ONE SHALL BE EXTRADITED TO A STATE TO WHOSE TERRITORY HE CANNOT BE RETURNED UNDER ARTICLE 2. UNQUOTE.

- 2. ABOVE TEXT TAKEN ALMOST WORD FOR WORD FROM 1971 BELLAGIO TEXT OF DRAFT CONVENTION IN WHICH ARTICLE 2 WAS NON-REFOULEMENT ARTICLE, AND WE BELIEVE IS CLEARLY INTENDED TO REFER TO ARTICLE 3 OF EXPERTS' TEXT INSTEAD OF ARTICLE 2.
- 3. ARTICLE 3A OF FRG DRAFT CONVENTION, WHICH IS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, READS: QUOTE A PERSON SHALL NOT BE EXTRADITED TO ANY STATE IF THE REQUESTED STATE HAS SUBSTANTIAL GROUNDS FOR BELIEVING THAT THE REQUEST FOR EXTRADITION FOR AN ORDINARY CRIMINAL OFFENCE HAS BEEN MADE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PERSECUTING, PROSECUTING OR PUNISHING A PERSON ON ACCOUNT OF HIS RACE, RELIGION, NATIONALITY, OR POLITICAL OPINION, OR THAT THAT PERSON'S POSITION MAY BE PREJUDICED FOR ANY OF THESE REASONS. UNQUOTE.
- 4. USDEL WOULD APPRECIATE RECEVING INSTRUCTIONS FROM DEPARTMENT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ASAP AS TO WHAT POSITION WE SHOULD TAKE WITH RESPECT TO THE PROPOSED VENEZUELAN AND FRG TEXTS.CATTO

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